OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH DATE: 1/3/58

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (97-169)

SUBJECT: DAILY WORKER
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Source [redacted]
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Reliability Who has furnished reliable information in the past.
Date of Activity 11/7/57
Date Received 12/3/57
Received by SA JAMES P. HALLERON
Location [redacted]

The information contained in this report should not be disseminated outside of the Bureau unless it is paraphrased to protect the identity of the informant.

By report dated 11/20/57, [redacted] furnished information concerning the Daily Worker Conference held 11/7/57. b7D

The following is the report of [redacted]

1 - Pittsburgh (100-1763)(STEVE NELSON)(Info)(RM)
1 - [redacted]
1 - NY 100-87211 (CP FACTIONALISM)(#19)
1 - NY 100-132488 (CP, GARMENT & MILLINERY)(#12-16)
1 - NY 100-71105 (FANNY HECHTMAN)(#12-10)
1 - NY 100- (FNU GERBER or GERBERT)(60 yrs. old, tall, thin, from upper Manhattan, per [redacted] [redacted]
1 - NY 100-49162 (CPSU)(#19)
1 - NY 100-4931 (CP, USA)(#19)
1 - NY 100- (SOPHIE LNU - known as:(Braided Sophie) (per [redacted]
1 - NY 100-17923 (JOHN GATES)(#19)
1 - NY 97-169 (#7-2)

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Report Communist Party U.S.A. Activities

Nov. 20, 1957
New York

A meeting of 20 C.P. functionaries from New York and vicinities was held in the office of the Daily Worker on Nov. 7th, 1957. The purpose of the meeting was to accelerate the D.W. fund and sub drives.

Steve Nelson, who chaired the meeting, said that the D.W. conference (which was held in October in N.Y.) "wasn't a good conference. No constructive work, just a lot of talking." This meeting, Nelson said, was called for the purpose of finding out ways to rebuild the D.W. He also underlined the point that that C.P. at present is weak "yet our Party is the only force which should build and must build the D. W."

The largest group of functionaries (C.P.) at the meeting was from the garment center from Manhattan.

Fanny Hechtman (garment worker C.P. functionary) said that "we can not give our approval to the political policy of the D.W. but at the same time we realize that we must continue to support and build it - it is our paper."

There were different proposals which were made by different speakers on the raising of funds and getting subs.

A functionary from Queens proposed that in every community C.P. members should visit all former readers of the D.W. asking them to again to become D.W. subscribers.

Gerber (or Gerbert?), a tall thin man, 60 years old from upper Manhattan proposed to concentrate on new readers and to concentrate on the youth. For this purpose to organize in the communities "D.W. youth brigades." He criticized the communique, which was published in the D.W. (Nov 7th issue) which sent greeting from the CP USA to the CPSU on the 40th anniversary of the S.U. He complained that this

communique failed to underline the fact that socialism was established in the S.U. under the banner of the C.P.

Sofia ("Braided") from the Manhattan county C.P. criticized John Gates for failing to carry out the policies for the D.W. set forth by the National Committee C.P. "But we, in Manhattan County, decided to help in the rebuilding of the D.W. our garment workers are working hard to get funds and subs."

Most of those who spoke while critical of the "political policy" of the D.W. "realized the "importance of rebuilding the D.W. to its original form."

The meeting decided that each county C.P. should assign their own quota of subs and funds. To concentrate until January, 1958 on funds. To organize everywhere house parties for raising funds for the D.W. To organize a large affair on the occassion of the 34th anniversary of the D.W. At this affair to raise funds and to get subs.

It was decided to have those meetings, with representatives from all C.P. county committees, every 2 weeks or so at the D.W. offices. The next meeting will be held on Nov. 21st, 1957.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-1763)

RE: CP, USA;
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Information from LA-4010-S* reflects that JAMES JACKSON from CP National Office, is due to arrive in Los Angeles 1/19/58 for a visit of several days. Purpose of his trip unknown.

DOROTHY HEALEY and BEN DOBBS, Chairman and Executive Secretary of Southern California District, respectively, are both upset that JACKSON should be coming to Los Angeles, and are considering calling him to tell him not to come.

New York furnish any details available re JACKSON's proposed visit to LosAngeles.

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1 - San Francisco (Info)(REGISTERED)
1 - New York (REGISTERED)
1 - Los Angeles (100-1763)
1 - Los Angeles 100-43372 (CINAL)

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Source LA-4010-S* on 1/13/58.

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SA JAMES P. HALLERON (7)

BEN DAVIS, JR.
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Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in past (conceal) b7D

Description of info 1/6/58

Date Received 1/10/58

Received by SA JAMES P. HALLERON (7)

Original located [redacted]

Utmost care must be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

By report dated 1/6/58, [redacted] furnished information re subject.

A copy of informant's report follows:

New York City
Jan 6, 1958

Ben Davis, Jr

Bill Stanly stated that Ben Davis, Jr., has been taking a beating within the National Board of the Communist Party, because of his dogmatic stand on proceedures and principles in the struggle within the National Board.

1- [redacted]
1-NY (100-82206) (BILL STANLEY) (12-16)
1-NY (100-4931) (CP, USA) (19)
1-NY (100-23825) (19)

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Ben Davis, has been violent and abusive to those dis-agreeing with him, and of lesser rank. However he has softening up, under the whip of members of the National Board, which shall make him a better man from the ordeal.

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TO : SAC, New York (100-4931) DATE: 1/2/58

FROM : SA [redacted] (19)

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SUBJECT: CPUSA
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On 12/23/57 Chief O'Rourke of the Transit Authority Police, Brooklyn, N.Y., furnished the writer with the attached memorandum of Eugene Dennis together with certain proposals. According to Chief O'Rourke these papers were found ~~on~~ on a D. train of the Ind. Division at 11:15 p.m. on 12/22/57 at the 205th Street station.

Photostats of these papers have been made for any assistance ~~they~~ might furnish in the dissemination of this information.

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January 21, 1958

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Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
Headquarters, First Army
Governors Island 4, New York

Re: Communist Party, USA

Dear Sir:

Enclosed in one copy of report of Special Agent Joseph V. Waters, dated New York, January 20, 1958.

All informants mentioned in this report have furnished reliable information in the past, or were in a position to furnish reliable information.

Sincerely yours,

EDWARD J. POWERS
Special Agent in Charge

Enclosure 1

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